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PLANS AND PROGRAMS STAFF WEEKLY REPORT FOR
PERIOD ENDING 16 MARCH 1983

1. Progress Report on Tasks Assigned by the DCI/DDCI:

No tasks assigned during this reporting period.

2. Items or Events of Major Interest that have Occurred
During the Preceding Week:

a. LIMS


(1) The LIMS System Development Group has provided the Plans Staff with "final draft" documentation covering Data Flow diagrams and process descriptions relative to three modules (Inventory, Distribution, and Catalog). Slight modifications to the Catalog Module Requirements will be necessary; and with the inclusion of external data stores, data groups, and data elements definitions to this documentation, these modules will be in a state of readiness for OL customer/user review and approval. Reviews of other modules will be conducted as they are made available.

(2) On 15 March, ODP held discussions with the potential LIMS Development Contractor. The discussions were relative to the clarification and continued evaluation of the single bidder.

b. Regulation Revisions

The following regulations were reviewed, commented upon, concurred in, or published during the past week:

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 Supply Operations - P&PS requested OIS/RCD to make numerous changes to these regulations, all but one of them quite minor, fitting into the "fine-tuning" category. The one major change is to the policy of what OL can do when a requisition is underfunded. The advocated policy, which had earlier been concurred in by the Director of Finance, will allow OL to exceed the amount of funds certified on a requisition by as much as \$1,000 without obtaining prior approval of the requisitioning office or requiring an amended requisition. These proposed revisions will be circulated throughout the Agency for concurrence by OIS/RCD.

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[redacted] Operational Activities,
Administrative Plans, Liquidation Plans, and Fiscal and
Logistical Annexes - Concurred provided several rather minor
changes were made. We made many more recommendations that were
of no direct concern to OL, and whether or not they were acted
upon had no bearing on our concurrence.

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c. Training

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On 15 and 16 March, [redacted] attended an ODP course
on Software Configuration Management.

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Systems Analysis Branch/P&PS/OL
WEEKLY STATUS REPORT
Week of 7 to 11 March 1983

I. Major Activities During the Past Week:

A. Support to OL:

ICS (Inventory Control System). Representatives from the Systems Support Division/ODP, Systems Analysis Branch/P&PS/OL, and Supply Division/OL, met on 7 March 1983 to discuss the Interface Control Document (ICD) and the Detailed System Design Specifications (DSDS) for the ICS/CONIF Interface. Several questions were presented and were satisfactorily resolved. It was concluded that the documents would require minor changes. (U)

STAT Nancy Earley, Chief, Data Control Branch/SD/OL, submitted a requirements paper to [] Systems Analysis Branch/P&PS/OL, for the ICS to GAS Interface. The proposed interface will provide commitments by line item to the General Accounting System (GAS). [] (U)

STAT FARS (Federal Automated Requisitioning System). A meeting was held on 10 March to further discuss the feasibility of an automated transfer of the data contained in the FARS Cross Reference Report to the Office of Finance. The required data was present in FARS currently and would be present in the ICS system in the August time frame when the ICS/GAS interface programming was completed. [] decided to have the ICS system provide the required data if OF could live with August date. An extract tape from ICS appeared to be the more simple and direct method to fulfill the automated transfer requirements than making complex changes to the current FARS system. [] of OF agreed to that solution for their requirements. In attendance were [] of SB/ADPP/OF, [] of IDSB/SD/OL, [] of IDSB/SD/OL, and [] of SAB/P&PS/OL. [] (U)

STAT AWCS (Automated Weapons Control System). The JCL that creates tapes containing sorted weapons data from the NIPS data base was modified. These changes were made in order to reflect changing requirements as well as an increase in the data base size. These tapes are used to create microfiche. [] (U)

II. General Items:

A. Support to OL:

STAT TRAINING. [] attended the "OL Orientation"
STAT course [] on 7-9 March. (U)

STAT [] attended the "Intermediate VM" course at CofC 9-11
STAT March. [] (U)

STAT MISCELLANEOUS. [] has changed his Career Service
STAT Designation from MZ to MLP. He has been reassigned from
STAT SAB/P&PS/OL to P&PD/OL and can be reached on [] We in ODP
STAT will certainly miss him and we wish him well in his new
STAT assignment. [] (U)

STAT [] from Systems Support Division/ODP, will be assisting
STAT Systems Analysis Branch/P&PS/OL, in the ICS/CONIF Interface
STAT project for approximately two months. [] (U)

III. Problems:

A. Support to OL:

ICS (Inventory Control System). On 11 March the Data Base Control Center (DBCC), ODP, notified the ICS programmer/analyst that the ICSOP data base was "out of balance". Resulting figures from the TOTALS procedure which was executed on 10 March around 1800 hours did not balance. ICSOP was disabled while the problem was being investigated. (U)

When a similar problem occurred in August 1981, the cause was a direct update (i.e. using GIMS User Language instead of menus). It was believed that the same thing had happened on Thursday. After discussions with the users, it was concluded that no direct updates had been entered to the data base. (U)

ICSOP was enabled to allow queries which might uncover the problem. The TOTALS procedure was executed repeatedly. Also TOTAL (the GIMS command) statements were entered several times without using the procedure. Each time the resulting figures were equal. ICS did not appear to be "out of balance". (U)

The probable cause of the different figures on Thursday evening was ICS users updating the data base (using menus) while the TOTALS procedure was executing. The DBCC has been instructed to execute TOTALS each night after all users "SIGNOFF" the data base. (Lowe) (U)

IV. Upcoming Events:

None to report.